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the birds, but there is not much prospect that they will be captured.

PLYMOUTH, October 30th.
While the British gunboat *Sunbeam* was engaged in gun practice to-day, shots struck and immediately sank the fishing smack *Sunbeam* and *Aurora*, both of which were anchored outside the breakwater. One man belonging to the *Aurora* was drowned, while another was nearly so, and two of the crew of the *Sunbeam* were completely exhausted when taken out of the water. The accident is attributed to the gross negligence of the officers of the gunboat.

LONDON, October 30th.
Advices received here from Yezd, Persia, describe the cruel persecutions of the Babi sect. The Government is said to be bent upon exterminating the sect, and the Governor of the province of Yezd, who is the grandson of the Shah, had seven of the sect strangled and beheaded. Numbers are rotting in prisons and many have fled to the desert, probably to starve.

BOSTON, October 30th.
An Ottawa (Ont.) dispatch says Premier Abbott has informed Secretary of State Chaplain that he would accept the latter's resignation rather than yield to his demands. Abbott sent for Colonel Quimby, ex-Speaker of the Commons, and offered him the position in the Cabinet now held by Chaplain, which Quimby declined until he could confer with his friend, the Secretary of State.

LONDON, October 30th.
Miss Ada Rehan to-day laid the corner-stone of Angustin Daly's theatre, which is to be built for him in this city. There were many distinguished literary and dramatic people present.

ST. CATHARINE, October 30th.
A dispatch from St. Catharine, says that the village of Rebestin, not far from St. Catharine, has been almost destroyed by fire. Thirty houses were burned.

VIENNA, October 30th.
Prince Carstinsky, vice-president of the upper house of the Austrian Parliament, is dead.

OTTAWA, October 30th.
The Cabinet crisis is over. Chaplain will retain the Secretaryship of State.

VIENNA, October 31st.
Dispatches from various sources show that a continuous snowstorm has prevailed throughout Bulgaria since Wednesday. Many trains are snow-blocked.

PARIS, October 31st.
A number of dynamite cartridges were found in the Cimier tunnel, on the Paris and Lyons Railway, between Nice and Riquier.

CITY OF MEXICO, October 31st.
General Gomez is dead.

BERLIN, October 31st.
Advices received here state that 350,000 German colonists in the famine-stricken district of the Volga, distributed among twenty-nine parishes, are perishing unaided.

The German committee formed at Riga are awaiting the delivery of the St. Petersburg authorities to send relief to the colonists under treaty persons. In addition to the suffering caused by want of food, the Volga districts are being ravaged by epidemics of scurvy and typhus fever.

The starving peasants attack houses and all other buildings in which they are likely to find plunder in order to secure means of obtaining food. The authorities of the stricken localities endeavor to suppress all information, being unwilling that the true condition of the people should become known.

NEW YORK, October 31st.
The fight with four-ounce gloves between Peter Maher, the "Irish Wonder," and Jack Fallon, the "Strong Boy" of Brooklyn, at Niblo's Garden, resulted in Fallon being knocked out in the second round. The first round showed some good boxing, but in the second Maher began to chase Fallon and the fighting became vigorous. Fallon grew savage and rushed at Maher, receiving a terrific right-hand on the cheek, which staggered him. He then landed another blow on his face, knocking him in a heap.

James Corbett to-night covered the \$1000 deposited with the *Herald* on behalf of Maher.

VICTORIA, (B. C.), October 31st.
Edward Hanlan, of Toronto, and Charles Stephenson, of New Zealand, rowed a three-mile race, with a turn, at Shawinigan lake this afternoon in a dead calm water and under a cool and cloudless sky. The result was a surprise, though Hanlan had trained hard for the match, and asserted that he was going to cut under the world's record.

He was in magnificent condition and rowed what his old friends say was the race of his life winning easily.

The time alone made it of world-wide importance, the race being won easily in 19.20, three seconds less than the previous record. Two reputable timekeepers testify to the accuracy of the time, which cannot be disputed. Hanlan will now go for Stansbury, and he hopes six months hence to be the champion of the world again.

LOND N, October 31st.
The city of Leeds has another singular mystery in the finding of the dead bodies of a mother and her three little boys in the river at that place. The mystery of the affair is that the woman lived in comfort and was apparently cheerful, and there was no known to be any trouble in her home and her husband. Whether there was, foul play or not may be developed at the inquest. The husband is an American, and his business is that of a courier.

CHICAGO, October 31st.
H. J. Farn, ex-Ambassador, member of the English Parliament, called at the United States would be severely thrashed by Chili in the opening days of a war between the countries. He conceded, however, that the United States would eventually be victorious, adding, "But I should like to hear your howl of agony after your first round with Chili, if it were not that I dislike the attendant killing."

NEW YORK, October 31st.
The *World's* correspondent at Callao, Peru, has had an interview with Captain Fuenzale, who was master of the torpedo that sank the *Blanca Encarnada*. He said: "The torpedoes are useless against any ship provided with a secondary battery and electric lights upon which a good lookout is kept. Their success with the *Blanca* was due to the fact that every one in her must have been asleep, and we were able to operate before she was ready. I believe in the moral effect of torpedoes to a limited degree, but my convictions are against their use as being in reality more dangerous to the vessel carrying them than to the enemy."

A dispatch from Ottawa says William R. Meredith, leader of the opposition in the Ontario Legislature, has accepted the portfolio in the Dominion Cabinet tendered him by Premier Abbott.

LONDON, October 31st.
A dispatch from Mombasa says the Lingard expedition has severely defeated the rebel Arabs of Uganda and Unyoro. This is regarded as a serious blow to the slave trade.

NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Hungary has 25,000,000 acres of forest, Rome will be lighted by electricity. Germany has 6,000,000 acres of forest. The grapes are prevalent at Arval, Sweden. Only one Englishman is twenty-seven years old.

The French Army is three times as large as it was in 1870.

In some parts of Berlin there are special public houses for women. Fifty-six men were killed during the building of the Fourth bridge.

In Austria, France and Spain executions are conducted in public.

There are thirteen regiments of heavy cavalry in the British Army.

The steamships of the P. and O. Company cost about £6,000,000.

An average of four persons die daily in England from diphtheria tremens.

Kling Humbert has conferred a decoration upon Professor Virchow.

A pack of English hounds recently changed hands for 4,000 guineas.

A new fort is being built at Copenhagen which is to cost about \$175,000.

Preston is supposed to be the most Roman Catholic town in England.

Belgium's biggest candle factory, at Heeran, has been destroyed by fire.

Pawnbrokers are not allowed to take wine and spirits in pawn in England.

Starving Italians protest against a \$4,000,000 statue to Victor Emmanuel.

Three hundred British steamers and sailing vessels are lost at sea yearly.

Miss Brann, the organizer of the German barmides, has been exiled.

It is said that Queen Victoria has a dress worn entirely of spider web.

The English Agricultural Laborers' Union has 80,000 members and is a year old.

Bremen is the first city in Germany to operate all its car lines by the electric motor.

Vast tracts of land in Russia seem likely to remain uncultivated for want of seed.

It is worth much to be President of the Swiss Republic. The salary is but \$3,000.

Queen Victoria has prohibited the use of tobacco within the precincts of Windsor Castle.

Statistics prove that only one man in six who emigrate from Europe does so with advantage.

The official salary of the German Chancellor, practically the Prime Minister, is \$13,500 a year.

The French Cabinet insists that no Catholic Bishop shall leave his diocese without Governmental consent.

After six months of idleness the London carpenters lately resumed work, pending arbitration.

The palaces of Versailles and Trianon have been closed on account of the ravages of vandals.

The Mormons are building a church in Copenhagen for the members of their faith there.

A newspaper exhibition in Paris there are 6,000 specimens of journalism from all parts of the world.

Great Britain's Trade Unions and Socialists say they will take thirty seats in Parliament at next election.

Many of the wealthy in Russia are alleged to be creating artificial scarcity instead of helping to alleviate the famine.

The Emperor of Germany has issued a decree forbidding the manufacture and sale of machines for making artificial coffee.

A Leeds inventor claims that he has constructed several electric clocks, which are driven by electricity from the earth itself.

The London wharfingers contemplate an attempt to organize a permanent force for dock labor and do away with the casual labor.

Cluny Castle, on Andrew Carnegie's much-talked-about Scotch estate, is a large building of gray stone, surrounded by about 15,000 acres of land.

The Sims-Edison electrical torpedo will soon be given a new trial in English waters, which is expected to have a great influence on naval warfare.

M. Pasteur has now, by the grace of the Emperor of Austria, become Baron von Pasteur, and has been decorated with the Order of the Iron Crown.

The imports of gold into France in the eight months ending August 31st, were £12,314,000. The exports were £4,982,000, a gain of £7,332,000.

During the past year eighty seven years of imprisonment have been inflicted in Germany upon Socialists and fines aggregating \$4,950 have been imposed.

The new British cruiser *Trident* recently satisfactorily passed through her final trials in the North Sea, steaming twenty knots per hour under forced draught.

In Sweden rye flour costs exactly twice as much now as it did three years ago, and 12,472 more papers were supported by the public there in 1889 than in 1887.

The *Freeman's Journal* says there is a strong feeling throughout Ireland in favor of a determined effort to secure reconciliation between the rival political factions.

The Italian Government proposes to abolish the export duty on raw silk as a part of the programme to take every possible measure to aid the industries of Italy.

The Duchess of Portland has 950 women pledged to her Society for the Protection of Birds. None of them will wear or encourage the wearing of any song-bird's plumage.

Experiments have been tried on the Oroya Railway in Peru of using petroleum fuel. The trials were made at an altitude of 5,800 feet above the sea and were entirely successful.

Sir James Ferguson, the new Postmaster-General, is a brave old soldier who fought in the Crimean War, was wounded at Inkerman, and won both British and Turkish medals for his daring deeds.

Robert Gulliam, an engineer of New York, who has just returned from Paris, says that compressed air is already a formidable competitor to the cable and electricity as a means of surface transit.

The benefits of the electric light in the factories of Germany is said to have been so marked that it is proposed to make its use compulsory in all works where artificial light is employed during working hours.

A reprint just issued for England and Wales of the number of convictions for drunkenness during the year 1889, places the total number of alcoholic delinquents at 173,035, of which number 10,250 belong to Wales and 162,785 to England.

The penalty against a German soldier or sailor of the standing army or navy who left the Fatherland was a fine of 200 marks or forty days' imprisonment. That has now been raised to 1,000 marks' fine or imprisonment for four months.

Scotland is the country of good sized "settlements." It contains thirty towns of more than 10,000 inhabitants. Seven of these number more than 30,000 inhabitants, nine have between 20,000 and 30,000, and the remaining fourteen have from 10,000 to 20,000.

For nearly three hundred years straw plaiting has been a leading industry in the hamlets of Bedfordshire and vicinity. Although the industry is much less extensive than it was, there are still over 20,000 persons engaged in it. They are chiefly old men, women and children.

The report that Zola's Pasha is now travelling within the British sphere of influence in East Africa is explained as being due to the fact that Lake Albert Edward has recently shrunk so much that it is now less entirely within the British sphere.

Again, it is said, was thereby compelled to march round Mount Mambila.

A Spanish prisoner brought from Japan fifteen years ago some sprigs of the lacquer tree, from which the salives produce the famous lacquer work. The trees have now grown to

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the height of thirty feet. It is proposed to plant them in different parts of the German Empire, and to import a Japanese to teach this artistic industry.

The splendid new port of Helsingborg was inaugurated by King Oscar in person on the 2nd October. It covers an area of about twenty acres, and has a granite mole 4,800 feet long, the depth of water is twenty-four feet, and the old port and the channel of approach are to be deepened to the same extent.

Mr. Wiseman, an English railway engineer, has proposed building a railroad across and through the heart of Africa. This railway would be about 3,000 miles long, and its cost about \$75,000,000. It would be about as long as the Canadian Pacific, and only 2,000 miles shorter than the great Russian-Siberian line.

A sixteen-year-old Norwegian girl creates a great deal of astonishment and admiration in the city of Gothenburg, Sweden, by driving six horses, single-handed, all about the city. Her name is Sverdrup, and she is the daughter of the quarry to the King of Sweden and Norway. Morocco is still feeling the evils of a war that occurred thirty-one years ago. At Tangier, the chief port, the Government levies duties of 10 per cent upon all imported goods, and half of this total revenue is appropriated by Spain, to apply toward the war indemnity, which is still only partly paid. The war between Spain and Morocco occurred in 1860, and Spain intends that Morocco shall bear the entire cost of it.

In the London music-halls they are gazing Lord Randolph Churchill with jingles such as this:

"I'm a regular Randy-pandy, oh!
A swell and a toff and a dandy, oh!
With a mustache that's all the mack
In the great Mahona-landy, oh!
I've a temper sweet as candy, oh!
And a book and pencil handy, oh!
And you never met such a social pet
As the correspondent Randy, oh!"

THE DOCTORS SHOOK THEIR HEADS.

"I would give a million dollars for a stomach," said a wealthy American recently. Now, a million dollars (\$200,000) is a deal of money, but he was not able to buy the article even at that price.

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The splendid new port of Helsingborg was inaugurated by King Oscar in person on the 2nd October. It covers an area of about twenty acres, and has a granite mole 4,800 feet long, the depth of water is twenty-four feet, and the old port and the channel of approach are to be deepened to the same extent.

Mr. Wiseman, an English railway engineer, has proposed building a railroad across and through the heart of Africa. This railway would be about 3,000 miles long, and its cost about \$75,000,000. It would be about as long as the Canadian Pacific, and only 2,000 miles shorter than the great Russian-Siberian line.

A sixteen-year-old Norwegian girl creates a great deal of astonishment and admiration in the city of Gothenburg, Sweden, by driving six horses, single-handed, all about the city. Her name is Sverdrup, and she is the daughter of the quarry to the King of Sweden and Norway. Morocco is still feeling the evils of a war that occurred thirty-one years ago. At Tangier, the chief port, the Government levies duties of 10 per cent upon all imported goods, and half of this total revenue is appropriated by Spain, to apply toward the war indemnity, which is still only partly paid. The war between Spain and Morocco occurred in 1860, and Spain intends that Morocco shall bear the entire cost of it.

In the London music-halls they are gazing Lord Randolph Churchill with jingles such as this:

"I'm a regular Randy-pandy, oh!
A swell and a toff and a dandy, oh!
With a mustache that's all the mack
In the great Mahona-landy, oh!
I've a temper sweet as candy, oh!
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